

# **New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration**

## **Fiscal Note Quick Guide**

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**SB 307-FN**, *relative to the refund of tax overpayment related to a fraudulent investment scheme.*

Senate Ways & Means Committee

This bill is being requested by the Department of Revenue Administration in response to taxpayers who have been, or may be in the future, affected by fraudulent investment schemes (Ponzi Schemes). The existing status does not provide the appropriate mechanisms for a taxpayer to request a refund for taxes paid on fictitious income, particularly when that request may be outside the statute of limitations.

The Department cannot estimate how many New Hampshire residents may be impacted by fraudulent tax schemes and how many would request a refund(s). Therefore, an estimate of the fiscal impact as a result of issuing refunds cannot be determined.

This law could be administered by the Department without significant additional administrative costs and IT costs.

This law would take effect July 1, 2012; however, the Department would suggest that this law take effect upon passage as delaying the effective date would delay relief to taxpayers affected by these fraudulent investment schemes.